

House Resolution No. 1490

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have admirably dedicated their time and energy to attaining excellence in their chosen fields of endeavor; and

Whereas, Truman Coolley of Centralia enjoys selection as a 2004 Agricultural Person of the Year by the Centralia Chamber of Commerce which will grant him honors and accolades on April 15, 2004, at its Annual Dinner in the Holy Spirit Catholic Church's multipurpose building; and

Whereas, the beloved spouse of Mary Coolley, now deceased, Truman Coolley has practiced agricultural production either in partnership with his father or as a self-employed farmer since returning home from World War II as a veteran soldier who utilized his skills with horses and mules to good advantage in the Western Pacific and Asian theaters of operation with the Remount Division of the Cavalry; and

Whereas, Truman Coolley will be recognized by the Centralia Chamber of Commerce in association with his brother, E.V., with whom he has worked for more than seventy years to maintain their original family farmland through prosperous years and through challenging times; and

Whereas, Truman Coolley has been active in the local MFA and has served as a local board member and as a longtime member of the State Board of Directors for MFA, Incorporated; and

Whereas, Truman Coolley is noted for having one of the best commercial cow/calf operations in central Missouri and for receiving a premium price for his stock at livestock auctions; and

Whereas, a member of the Christian Church, Truman Coolley not only has spoken fondly of the early days of his farming career, but also has readily embraced progressive change down through the years, including the use of performance tested bulls and crossbreeding for herd improvement:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Truman Coolley as a Centralia Chamber of Commerce Agricultural Person of the Year and to convey to him heartiest congratulations upon reaching this milestone in his life and our best wishes for a future filled with continued success; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Truman Coolley of Centralia, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Wes Shoemyer
District No. 9

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1490, adopted April 6, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker